

As to subsection (a) (2) of this section, see, also, §21-1209 of this article for a similar provision relating to bicycles and bicyclists.

14-105. STOLEN, EMBEZZLED, AND RECOVERED VEHICLES.

(A) REPORTS BY POLICE OFFICERS.

(1) IF A POLICE OFFICER RECEIVES RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT A VEHICLE HAS BEEN STOLEN, THE POLICE OFFICER SHALL IMMEDIATELY REPORT THE THEFT TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE, UNLESS THE POLICE OFFICER HAS RECEIVED RELIABLE INFORMATION OF THE RECOVERY OF THE VEHICLE.

(2) IF A POLICE OFFICER RECEIVES RELIABLE INFORMATION THAT A VEHICLE WHICH HE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED STOLEN HAS BEEN RECOVERED, HE SHALL IMMEDIATELY REPORT THE RECOVERY TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE.

(B) REPORTS BY OWNERS AND SECURED PARTIES.

(1) IF A VEHICLE TITLED OR REGISTERED IN THIS STATE HAS BEEN STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED, THE OWNER OR SECURED PARTY MAY NOTIFY THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE THEFT OR EMBEZZLEMENT. HOWEVER, AN EMBEZZLEMENT MAY NOT BE REPORTED UNTIL A WARRANT FOR THE ARREST OF THE PERSON CHARGED WITH THE EMBEZZLEMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED.

(2) EVERY PERSON WHO HAS GIVEN NOTICE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOTIFY THE ADMINISTRATION OF A RECOVERY OF THE VEHICLE.

(C) RECORDS OF ADMINISTRATION; WEEKLY LISTS.

THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAINTAIN AND APPROPRIATELY INDEX CUMULATIVE PUBLIC RECORDS OF STOLEN OR EMBEZZLED VEHICLES REPORTED TO IT UNDER THIS SECTION.

(D) SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION.

THE ADMINISTRATION MAY SUSPEND THE REGISTRATION OF A VEHICLE WHOSE THEFT OR EMBEZZLEMENT IS REPORTED TO IT UNDER THIS SECTION. UNTIL THE ADMINISTRATION LEARNS OF THE RECOVERY OF THE VEHICLE OR THAT THE REPORT OF ITS THEFT OR EMBEZZLEMENT WAS ERRONEOUS, IT MAY NOT ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR THE VEHICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 66 1/2, §4-105.

In subsection (a) of this section, the present references to a "sheriff" or "chief of police" are deleted as unnecessary since they are encompassed within the term "police officer", as defined in §11-147 of this article. As to the reported recovery of the vehicle, the word